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## REMARKS

With entry of this amendment, claims 15 and 18 are pending. Support for the new claims can be found in the originally filed claims and throughout the specification. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration is requested.

The Examiner rejected claims 15-17 under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite because it was unclear whether the method was *in vivo* or *in vitro*. The Examiner also indicated that the amount of the compound required was not indicated, and that no practical effects were indicated. The claims have been amended to recited that the compound is administered in an effective amount to a subject in need of acetylcholinesterase inhibition.. The Examiner also indicated that the claims were "reach through" claims. The undersigned is not aware of any statutory basis for such a rejection. Clarification is requested.

Claims 15 and 18 are believed to be free of the 35 USC § 101 and §112. second paragraph rejections. Favorable consideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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